News Notes



Down days slated

March 28 is Family Day. March 31 has been slated as a wing goal day.

Air Force Academy cadet choir sings at Holy week services

The Air Force Academy Catholic Cadet Choir sings at the chapel and in the local are March 28 - 30. The choir sing at:

☐ The Catholic Good Friday mass at the base chapel at 3 p.m. March 28 at the chapel.

☐ St. Mary's Church in Woolpit at 7:30 p.m. March 28.

☐ The Catholic Holy Saturday mass at the base chapel at 7 p.m. March 29.

☐ The Protestant Easter Sunrise service in the base chapel sanctuary at 6:30 a.m. March 30.

Choir members stay with sponsor families from the Lakenheath community. For more information, call Margaret Fulham at Ext. 3711.

MDG receives new commander

Col. Stephen Meigs took over command of the 48th Medical Group. He comes to RAF Lakenheath from the 16th Medical Group at Hurlburt Field, Fla. Col. Paul Christianson, former commander, will become the commander of the 377th Medical Group at Kirkland AFB, N.M.

Self-help store closed

The self-help store is closed Monday through March 31 for training and to observe British holidays. For more information, call Ext. 3190.

Upcoming exercise prepares for special assistance visit

The Liberty Wing is coming to the end of its own version of March Madness and one-day exercises.

"Our one-day exercises are designed to prepare the wing for the USAFE special assistance visit in June," said Maj. Gary Webb, 48th Fighter Wing readiness chief. "The wing provided great support for some terrific training. But we're still working to smooth the rough edges and raise our quality to Lakenheath standards."

The last exercise of the month is Monday

through March 28. The exercise also prepares the wing for the safety management review April 7, the functional management review April 18-21 and the operations safety review April 28 - May 2.

An operations safety review meeting is at 9 a.m. Monday in the large wing conference room. For more information, call MSgt. Cedric McMillon at Ext. 3737.

March 30 British Daylight Savings Turn clocks

forward one hour

RAF Lakenheath security police return from Bosnia Saturday

Twenty-seven people from the 48th Security Police Squadron, who deployed to Bosnia Dec. 4, return Saturday. The security police flight worked hand-in-hand with the Army's Air Defense Artillery Battalion and Security Police to ensure base defense, force protection and general law and order. They also had direct responsibility for all the runway and ramp areas as well as the Air Force living and working areas.

11 Lakenheath master sergeants to be promoted

Eleven RAF Lakenheath master sergeants were selected for promotion to senior master sergeant Wednesday. They are: Paul Dixon, 48th Component Repair Squadron; Dennis Doughty, 451st Intelligence Squadron; Terrence Frost, 48th CRS; Kaylon Grubbs, 48th Mission Support Squadron; Francis Imlay, 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Dawn London, 48th Medical Operations Squadron; Jerald Lutheran, 48th EMS; Robert Murphy, 48th Communications Squadron; Paula Pridgen, 48th Fighter Wing; Kenneth Stahura, 493rd Fighter Squadron; and Jesse Turner, 48th Supply Squadron.

In the Air Force, 21,214 people were selected for promotion to senior master sergeant for a 7.56 percent promotion rate. Lakenheath's promotion rate was 4.29 percent

USAFE vice commander to retire Aug. 1

Lt. Gen. Everett Pratt, USAFE vice commander, is slated to retire Aug. 1 after nearly 33 years in the Air Force. Pratt has served as vice commander for USAFE sinceOct. 1994.

USAFE plans annual awards banquet for April 19

USAFE honors the command's outstanding enlisted performers during a banquet April 19 at Ramstein AB, Germany.

During the event, USAFE leaders will announce the commander's airman, NCO, senior NCO and first sergeant of the year. Twelve nominees are competing for the honors: four from the USAFE headquarters staff, four from 3rd Air Force and four from 16th Air Force.

The guest speaker for the evening is

retired CMSAF Sam Parish, a former USAFE and Strategic Air Command senior enlisted advisor. The banquet theme is "Enlisted Excellence – Unlimited Vision."

The event begins with a social hour at 6 p.m., followed by a dinner and the awards program. Tickets cost \$20 each and information is available from first sergeants and senior enlisted advisors.

Liberty Warrior

"Can do" person of the week



Photo by SrA. Sarah Franco

SrA. Tyson Kingsbury

48th Civil Engineer Squadron

Hometown:Tehachapi, Calif. **Time in service:** Two years, six months

Time on station: Two years, two

Role in mission: I'm a firefighter providing fire protection for the 48th Fighter Wing, aircraft and base facilities

Hobbies: Surfing, snow-boarding, volleyball, wrestling and mountain biking.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? As a civilian firefighter working in California.

What would you do to make things better at RAF Lakenheath? I would incorporate an additional gate to reduce the traffic congestion during rush hour.

What is your greatest achievement? When I became a firefighter and followed in my dad's footsteps.

Why did you join the Air Force? To enhance my job knowledge in the fire protection field and to provide the best possible service to the Air Force.

What do you like best about the Air Force? The chance to travel and the education it gives us.